

# THE SPORTING NEWS.

## THE DIAMOND. UNDAY GAMES WERE PLAYED

### Brooklyn Turned Out Four- teen Thousand People and Sold Score Cards—Sat- urday and Sunday Games.

New York, April 18.—It looks very much like Greater New York will have professional baseball on Sunday this season.

A National league championship game was played in Washington park, yesterday between the Boston and the Brooklyn clubs. There were about 14,000 persons present, and they paid admission fees, too, but they didn't call it that, neither did the place.

It has been held that ball may be played if no admission fee is charged, and there is no law against selling score cards at the gate. Score cards were sold yesterday, and each holder a score card was rewarded with a ticket. It is said the gross receipts amounted to \$6,500.

President Ebbetts said after the game: "We kept within the law by not selling tickets of admission from our office windows outside of the place. We simply sold score cards, which were purchased voluntarily by the crowd. The attendance was about 14,000, and it was the most merry crowd that ever assembled at Washington park."

"Does to-day's game mean that Sunday ball will be played at the Polo grounds?" Ebbetts was asked.

"I can't say as to that," he replied, but it seems to me that it is up to the New York National League club to decide the matter. We wanted the New Yorks to play in here today, but they had a previous engagement. Newark which they could not cancel."

Police Captain White said after the game: "It was sent here with orders from the inspector to see that order is maintained and that no tickets of admission were sold from the box office windows. Anybody who cared to come in without paying could have done so. The selling of score cards, in my opinion, does not constitute a violation of the law. Personally, I favor these Sunday games, for the season that they keep hundreds of young men out of mischief. I am quite sure that there will be few complaints against disorderly persons in my precinct on Sunday than formerly. There was no disorder here today."

Passing through the narrow entrance, one proceeded but a few feet before he was confronted by a man who sat at a table with a big pile of score cards at his elbow. Brown score cards at the grand stand gate cost 75 cents each, and the crowd gave cheerfully. Green score cards, at 50 cents each entitled the buyer to the bleachers nearest the ends of the grandstand. As far as could be seen by close observers nine-fifths of each hundred that passed in paid the required price.

### OTHER SUNDAY GAMES.

At Ridgewood: R.H.E. New York 14 6 0 1 4 0 4—17 15 1. R.H.E. F.C. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—4 4 6. Batteries—Bliss and Beville; Lang and Fleischman.

At Newark: R.H.E. Y. (N. L.) 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 3 1. Newark 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 0 1. Batteries—Milligan, Ames and Bowman; Hesterfer, Morfarity and Yach.

### SATURDAY BALL GAMES.

National League.  
At Philadelphia—Boston 8, Philadelphia 7.  
At Cincinnati—Chicago 10, Cincinnati 7.  
At Brooklyn—New York 3, Brooklyn 7.

At St. Louis—St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 5.  
At New York—Boston 12, New York 10.

At Washington—Philadelphia 12, Washington 2.  
At Chicago—Chicago 10, Cleveland 7.

At St. Louis—Detroit 4, St. Louis 3.  
College Games.

At New Haven: R.H.E. Yale 19 20 2. Orange A. C. 0 2 14. Batteries—Allen, Jackson and Winslow; Dezan and Freeberg.

At West Point: R.H.E. West Point 1 2 2. Pennsylvania State 0 2 4. Batteries—Herrling, Lant and Carter; Kilmer and McIlwain.

At Annapolis: R.H.E. Virginia 3 6 2. Annapolis 4 6 2. Batteries—Pollard and Mungers; Furbush and Singleton.

At Washington: R.H.E. Georgetown 6 7 1. Harvard 0 4 0. Batteries—Cromley and Hart; Clark and Stephenson.

At Princeton: R.H.E. Princeton 13 12 6. Batteries—McLane and Plunkett; Underhill, Reid, Doyle and Chunn.

At Van Nest.  
The Bridgeport base ball team of 1904 started in their work for the season with a victory. Yesterday they defeated the Emeralds of New York at the Catholic Rectory grounds at Van Nest by the score of 9 to 7. Between 3,000 and 4,000 people were present. The following is the make-up of the local team as it won from the Emeralds: J. H. O'Rourke, Sr., catcher; J. H. O'Rourke, Jr., pitcher; J. H. O'Rourke, Jr., pitcher; J. H. O'Rourke, Jr., pitcher; J. H. O'Rourke, Jr., pitcher.

At Olympic Field: R. Murray Hills 0 0 1 2 1 2 2—5 9. Meriden 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 5 7. Batteries—Wade and O'Neill; Rogers, Hodges and Thieren.

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